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SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF DEF MIN DOUKARA VISIT

1. DURING FINAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 8, MIN DEF DOUKARA
REQUESTED DOLLARS ONE MILLION GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR PURPOSE
OF IMMEDIATELY INCREASING GRAIN TRANSPORTATION TO SIXTH
REGION. RATIONALE BEING TO DIMINISH POSSIBILITY OF NEED
FOR U.S. AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE TO GOM DURING COMING YEAR.
BREAK-OUT OF GRANT REQUEST FOLLOWS.

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A. 36 CHRYSLER TRUCKS OF 8.5 TON CAPACITY
PLUS SPARE PARTS FOR ONE YEAR OF OPERATION
(CHRYSLER ESTIMATE) DOLS. 500,000

B. FIVE ADDITIONAL SPARE TIRES PER VEHICLE
(180 SPARE TIRES) DOLS. 75,000

C. GASOLINE, OIL AND LUBRICANTS TO OPERATE
THE VEHICLES FOR A FOUR-MONTH PERIOD (COST
ESTIMATED AT DOLLARS 40,000 PER MONTH) DOLS. 160,000

D. GASOLINE, OIL, AND LUBRICANTS TO PERMIT
INCREASED RIVER BARGE TRAFFIC DURING THE
REMAINING MONTHS OF NAVIGATION (COST ESTIMATED
AT DOLLARS 40,000 PER MONTH FOR FOUR MONTHS) DOLS. 160,000

E. SPARE PARTS FOR ROAD BUILDING EQUIPMENT
BORROWED AND USED TO IMPROVE THE MOPTI-GAO
ROAD DOLS. 75,000

F. CONTINGENCY RESERVE DOLS. 30,000

2. MR. WILLIAMS APPROVED PURCHASE OF TRUCKS, SPARE PARTS,
AND 180 ADDITIONAL HEAVY-DUTY (14 PLY) SPARE TIRES
(ITEMS A AND B). PURCHASE ORDER FOR THESE ITEMS ALREADY
PLACED WITH CHRYSLER. COST, INCLUDING TRANSPORT TO
ABIDJAN, APPROXIMATELY DOLLARS 484,000, WITH ETA ABIDJAN
DECEMBER 10. THEREFORE, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THIS SUM
AND ESTIMATED COSTS UNDER ITEMS A AND B WILL PROBABLY BE
ADDED TO CONTINGENCY RESERVE (ITEM F).

3. IT IS EXPECTED THAT ITEMS C THROUGH F WILL BE APPROVED
IN NEAR FUTURE WITH EMBASSY STEP FUND BEING INITIALLY
INCREASED (AT LEAST IN PART) TO FUND POL FOR INCREASED
RIVER BARGE USEAGE (ITEM D). WILL ADVISE.

4. SEPTEL(S) WILL FOLLOW SOONEST ON FULL DETAILS MEETING
WITH AID, STATE, DOD, NASA, AND USDA OFFICIALS.
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